Applications for grants under the STEP Competition, CFDA number 84.415, must be submitted electronically using the Government-wide Grants.gov Apply site at www.Grants.gov. For information about how to submit your application electronically, please refer to *Electronic Submission of Applications* in section IV.7. of the May 29, 2012, notice (77 FR 31592, 31597).

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Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7451(a)(4).

Dated: July 20, 2012.

Deborah S. Delisle,

Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Equity and Excellence Commission; Meeting

AGENCY: Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education. **ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming meeting of the Equity and Excellence Commission (Commission). The notice also describes the functions of the Commission. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend. **DATES:** August 9, 2012.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The Commission will meet in Washington, DC at the United States Department of Education at 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202, in Room 4W334. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Guy Johnson, Designated Federal Official, Equity and Excellence Commission, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202. Email:

equitycommission@ed.gov. Telephone: (202) 453–6567.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 9, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, the Equity and Excellence Commission will hold an open meeting in Washington, DC at the United States Department of Education at 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202, in Room 4W334.

The purpose of the Commission is to collect information, analyze issues, and obtain broad public input regarding how the Federal government can increase educational opportunity by improving school funding equity. The Commission will also make recommendations for restructuring school finance systems to achieve equity in the distribution of educational resources and further student performance, especially for the students at the lower end of the achievement gap. The Commission will examine the disparities in meaningful educational opportunities that give rise to the achievement gap, with a focus on systems of finance, and recommend appropriate ways in which Federal policies could address such disparities.

The agenda for the Commission's August 9, 2012 meeting will include review and deliberation of materials prepared by the writing teams for consideration in the draft report to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education (Secretary), summarizing the Commission's findings and recommendations for appropriate ways in which Federal policies can improve equity in school finance. The Commission is also expected to discuss the timing and content of future Commission meetings, as well what further materials, if any, will be produced. Due to time constraints, there will not be a public comment period. However, individuals wishing to provide written comments may send their comments to the Commission via email at equitycommission@ed.gov or via U.S. mail to Guy Johnson, Designated Federal Official, Equity and Excellence Commission, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202. For comments related to the upcoming meeting, please submit comments for receipt no later than August 1, 2012.

Individuals interested in attending the meeting must register in advance, as meeting room seating may be limited. Please contact Guy Johnson at (202) 453–6567 or by email at *equitycommission@ed.gov.* Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or materials in alternative format) should notify Guy Johnson at (202) 453–6567 no later than August 1, 2012. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date but cannot guarantee availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Records are kept of all Commission proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. You may contact Guy Johnson, Designated Federal Official, Equity and Excellence Commission, at *equitycommission@ed.gov*, or at (202) 453–6567 if you have additional questions regarding inspection of records.

John DiPaolo,

Chief of Staff, Office for Civil Rights, United States Department of Education. [FR Doc. 2012–18306 Filed 7–25–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4000–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Memorandum of Agreement With the Kalispel Tribe on Columbia Basin Fish Accords

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE). ACTION: Notice of availability of Administrator's Record of Decision (ROD).

Memorandum of Agreement With Kalispel Tribe

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the BPA's ROD for entering into an Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Kalispel Tribe for implementing fish and wildlife projects in and around Lake Pend Oreille and the Pend Oreille River in Pend Orielle County, Washington and Bonner Counties, Idaho. BPA has decided to enter into the MOA to pursue mutual goals with the Kalispel Tribe of protecting and recovering fish and wildlife affected by the Federal Columbia River Power System in the area. This ROD is tiered to the BPA's Fish and Wildlife Implementation **Program Environmental Impact**

Statement (DOE/EIS–0312, April 2003) and its ROD (October 31, 2003).

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD may be obtained by calling BPA's toll-free document request line, 1–800–622–4520. The ROD is also available on our Web site, *www.efw.bpa.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mickey Carter, Bonneville Power Administration—KEC-4, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208–3621; toll-free telephone number 1–800–622–4519; fax number 503–230–5699; or email *macarter@bpa.gov.*

Issued in Portland, Oregon, on July 17, 2012.

William K. Drummond,

Acting Administrator and Chief Executive Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: CP08–404–000. Applicants: MarkWest Pioneer, L.L.C. Description: MarkWest Pioneer, L.L.C.

submits its Cost and Revenue Study. *Filed Date:* 7/13/12. *Accession Number:* 20120713–5068. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/31/12. *Docket Numbers:* RP12–872–000. *Applicants:* Trailblazer Pipeline

Company LLC.

Description: 2012–07–18 NC Mieco, CIMA to be effective 7/19/2012.

Filed Date: 7/18/12. Accession Number: 20120718–5098. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/30/12. Docket Numbers: RP12–873–000. Applicants: Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC.

Description: 2012–07–17 NC K's Cima, Mieco, Concord to be effective 7/ 18/2012.

Filed Date: 7/17/12.

Accession Number: 20120717–5139. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/30/12.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding. Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP01–382–022. Applicants: Northern Natural Gas Company.

Description: Northern Natural Gas Company submits for filing its annual report setting forth the Carlton Resolution buyout, surcharge and penalty dollars reimbursed to the Carlton Sourcers on their May reservation invoices for the 2011–2012 heating season.

Filed Date: 6/1/12. Accession Number: 20120601–5144. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 6/13/12. Docket Numbers: RP12–828–001. Applicants: Gulf South Pipeline

Company, LP.

Description: Amendment to Filing to be effective 7/1/2012.

Filed Date: 7/18/12. Accession Number: 20120718–5016. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/30/12.

Any person desiring to protest in any the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, and service can be found at: *http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filingreq.pdf*. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: July 19, 2012.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.

Deputy Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC12–121–000. Applicants: Direct Energy Services, LLC, Energetix, Inc., NYSEG Solutions, Inc.

Description: Joint Application for Authorization under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act of Direct Energy Services, LLC, et al.

Filed Date: 7/18/12. Accession Number: 20120718–5104. *Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12. Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG12–90–000. Applicants: Russell City Energy Company, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-

Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

Filed Date: 7/18/12.

Accession Number: 20120718–5109. *Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER12–1635–002. Applicants: Wolverine Power Supply Cooperative, Inc.

Description: Oden IFA FERC Rate Schedule No. 9 to be effective

4/27/2012.

Filed Date: 7/16/12. Accession Number: 20120716–5160. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/6/12. Docket Numbers: ER12–1946–001. Applicants: Duke Energy Beckjord,

LLC. Description: Amendment to MBR Filing to be effective 10/1/2012. Filed Date: 7/18/12. Accession Number: 20120718–5077. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12. Docket Numbers: ER12–1948–001. Applicants: Duke Energy Conesville,

LLC.

- *Description:* Amendment to MBR Tariff Filing to be effective 10/1/2012. *Filed Date:* 7/18/12.
 - Accession Number: 20120718–5066. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12. Docket Numbers: ER12–1951–001. Applicants: Duke Energy Dicks Creek,

LLC.

Description: Amendment to MBR Tariff Filing to be effective 10/1/2012. Filed Date: 7/18/12. Accession Number: 20120718–5080.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12. *Docket Numbers:* ER12–1954–001. *Applicants:* Duke Energy Killen, LLC. *Description:* Amendment to MBR

Tariff Filing to be effective 10/2/2012. *Filed Date:* 7/18/12. *Accession Number:* 20120718–5094. *Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12. *Docket Numbers:* ER12–1956–001. *Applicants:* Duke Energy Miami Fort, LLC.

Description: Amendment to MBR Filing to be effective 10/1/2012.

Filed Date: 7/18/12. Accession Number: 20120718–5082.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/8/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12–1958–001.

Applicants: Duke Energy Piketon, LLC.